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SUBJECT: US AIRLIFT MAURITANIA

REF: NOUAKCHOTT 893

ACTION REQUESTED/ SUMMARY: IN LIGHT OF INSUFFICIENT JET FUEL RESERVES NOUAKCHOTT, SUGGEST STATE-DOD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS OBTAIN DUTY-FREE FUEL DAKAR.

1. DIRECTOR MOBIL OIL COMPANY MAURITANIA--ONLY LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR JET FUEL-- INFORMED US TODAY THAT HIS RESERVES PROP JET FUEL NEARLY EXHAUSTED DUE UNUSUAL DEMANDS LEVIED BY FRG AND LIBYAN AIRCRAFT OVER PAST FEW WEEKS. MOBIL EXPECTS UNCLASSIFIED

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TAKE DELIVERY SMALL TANKER LOAD (300,000 LITERS) TODAY OR

TOMORROW AND HAS ALSO ARRANGED SMALL ADDITIONAL OVERLAND SHIPMENT. FUEL WILL NOT, HOWEVER, BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE UNTIL CIRCA 8 OCTOBER BECAUSE THIS AND ALL OTHER SHIPMENTS MUST BE ANALYZED BY MOBIL LABORATORIES DAKAR FOR POSSIBLE POLLUTION ENROUTE.

- 2. MOBIL DIRECTOR ALSO INFORMS HE HAS BEEN SUPPLYING APPROXIMATELY 18,000 LITERS PER DAY TO LIBYAN C-130 MAKING TWO ROUND TRIPS TO AIOUN/KIFFA. THIS CONSUMPTION IN EXCESS ESTIMATES CONTAINED BAMAKO 2969 (NOTAL) THAT C-130 FLYING NOUAKCHOTT-AIOUN TWICE PER DAY WOULD CONSUME ONLY SOME 10,000 LITERS.
- 3. COMMENT: FOREGOING ADDS FURTHER WEIGHT TO ARGUMENTS FOR BASING C-130 (S) AT DAKAR. WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT AND OTHER ADDRESSEES INFORMED FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. MURPHY

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